

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on November 16, 2004.

No claims are amended, cancelled, or added; as a result, claims 1-22 are pending in this application.

Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1-22 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-32 of co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 10/099,044.

Applicant does not admit that the claims are obvious in view of Application No. 10/099,044 (now issued Patent No. 6,829,421). However, a Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(b)(iv) is enclosed herewith to obviate these rejections. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the double patenting rejections are respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 373-6944 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.


Respectfully submitted,

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